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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director
Deputy Director for Administration
Director, Office of Congressional Affairs

FROM: Robert W. Magee
Director of Personnel

SUBJECT: Retirement Legislation

Attached is a draft copy of the staff recommendations for the conferees on the supplemental retirement legislation. This has been provided to us unofficially by the Senate staffer John Nelson. It is basically as reported to you earlier and is, in fact, better than we had originally hoped. Our response to John covered the following minor points:

- We want to reinforce what is implicit in their agreement; i.e., that we are talking about self-administration for all Agency employees. Nelson understands and agreed. We have also said to them informally that we do not want any date specified in the legislation by which self-administration must occur. In view of Graham-Rudman, we may want to defer self-administration until resources are available to allow us to do it right.
- The problem of FBIS TCN's can be handled without legislation. Nothing should be included in the legislation which would close the old system to the TCN's. This is a fairly complicated point, but the intent is to carry the TCN's under the old legislation which is both legal and desirable.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Jamie Cowen on Retirement Legislation

1. Jamie Cowen, counsel of the Senate Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on Civil Service, Post Office and General Services provided the attached legislative package as the latest version of the Senate-House staff work on the supplemental retirement bill. It is similar to what he has outlined to us in the past. This and earlier descriptions of the Agency package appear to meet the needs of CIA and are better than we expected.

2. He continues to be confident that Congress will consider the bill, pass it and send it to the President before stop-gap legislation runs out on 30 April.

3. Cowen said that two issues remain unresolved with the administration: organization of the thrift board and the overall cost of the program. He said that there is opposition from OMB, OPM and the White House.

4. He noted that State Department has said they will have Secretary Schultz or a top official call the White House to give their support for the Congressional bill. He is working with the FBI and is hopeful that Judge Webster will also weigh in with the White House. As before, he asked that Director Casey also consider making a call to White House Chief of Staff to indicate his support for the bill. Cowen stated that the critical timing for the call would be sometime in the next two weeks.

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